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) Attorney Docket No.: F-711

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) Group Art Unit: 3624

) Examiner: Lalita M. Hamilton

Title: EARLY BILL PAYMENT PROCESS

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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**CORRECTED AMENDMENT**

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In response to the October 7, 2005, April 26, 2005, and January 19, 2006 Patent Office Actions please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

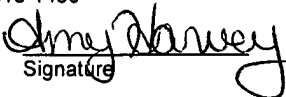
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